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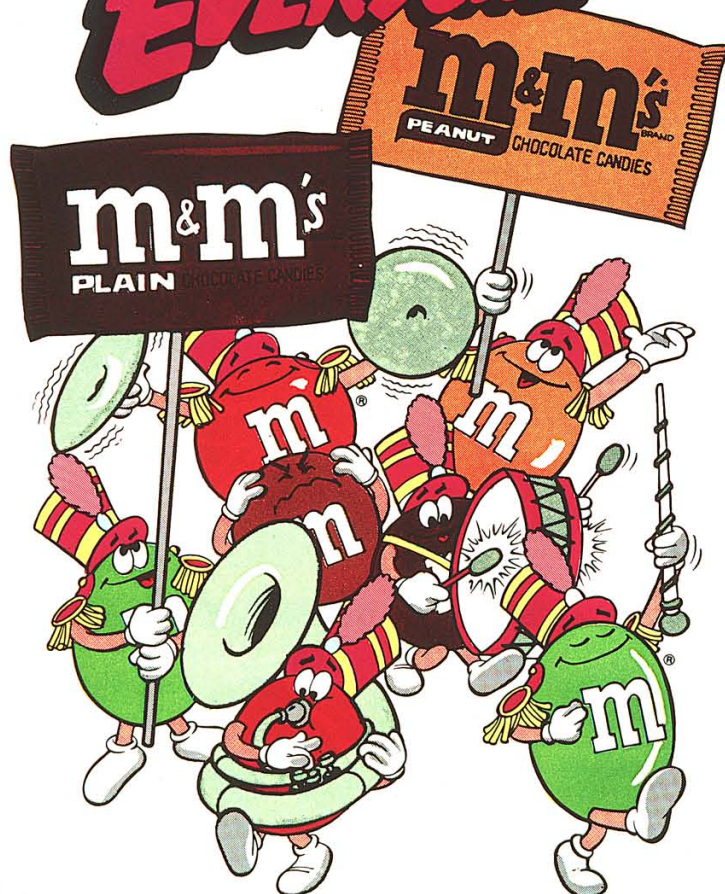
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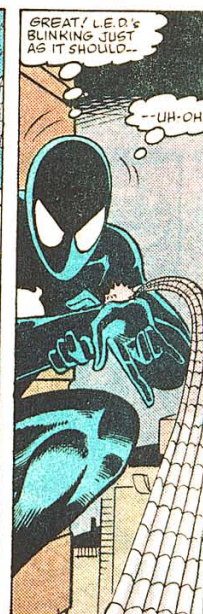
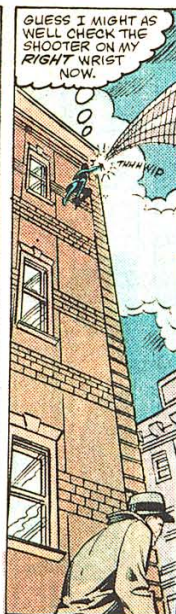
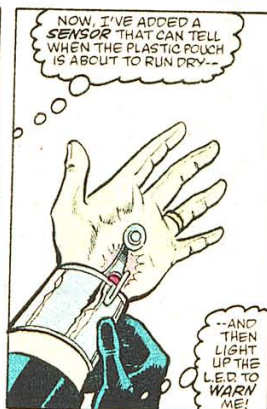
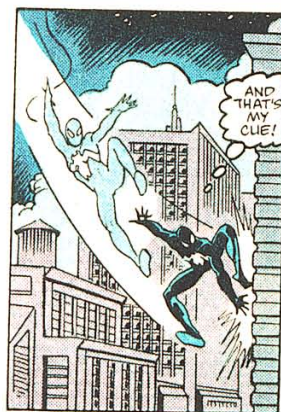
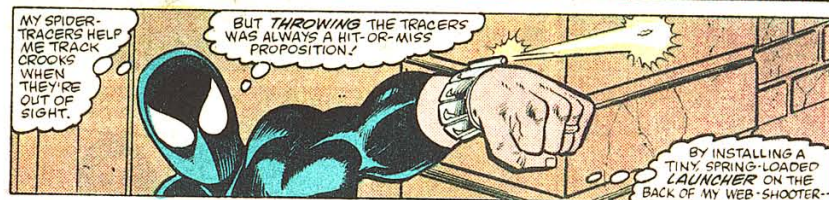
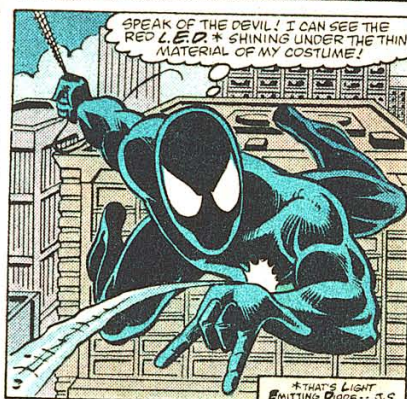
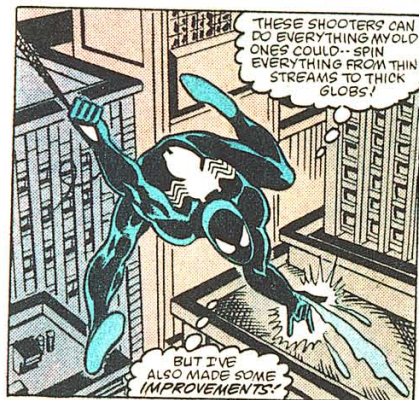
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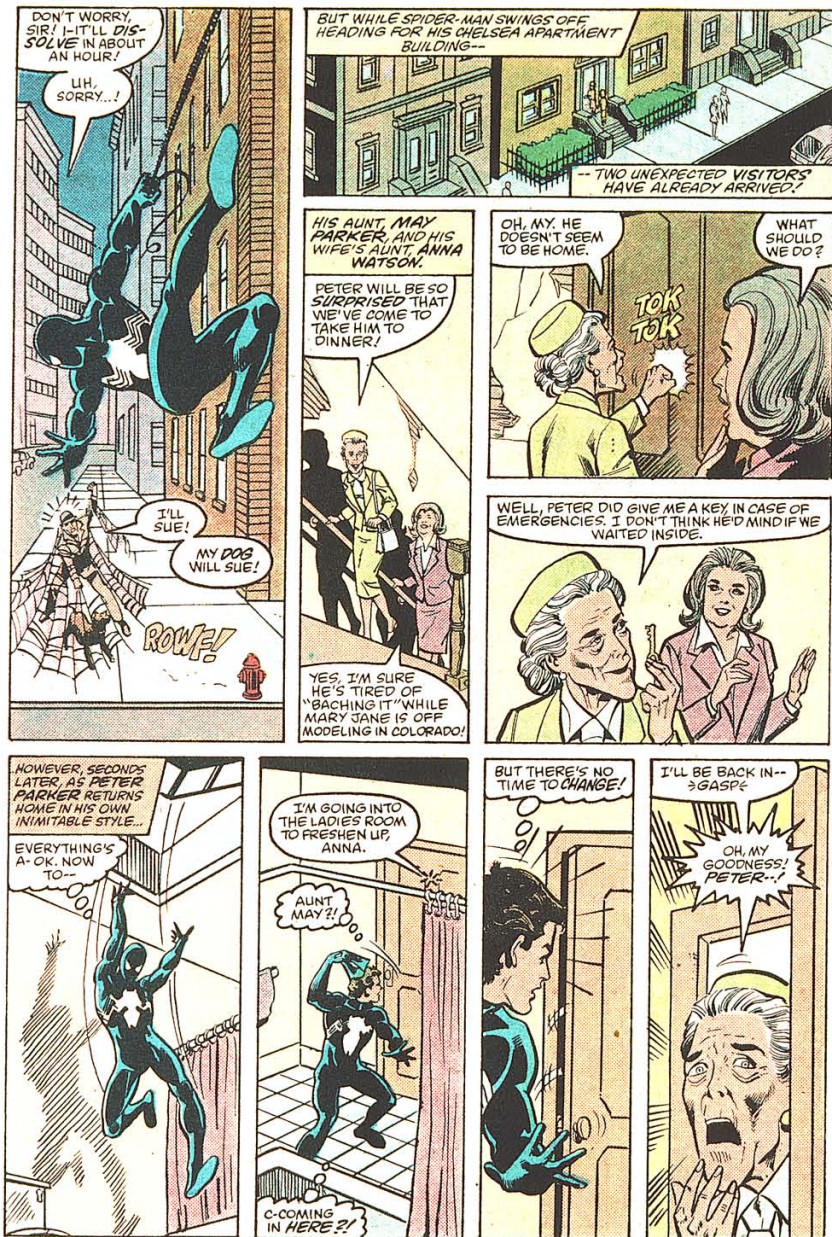
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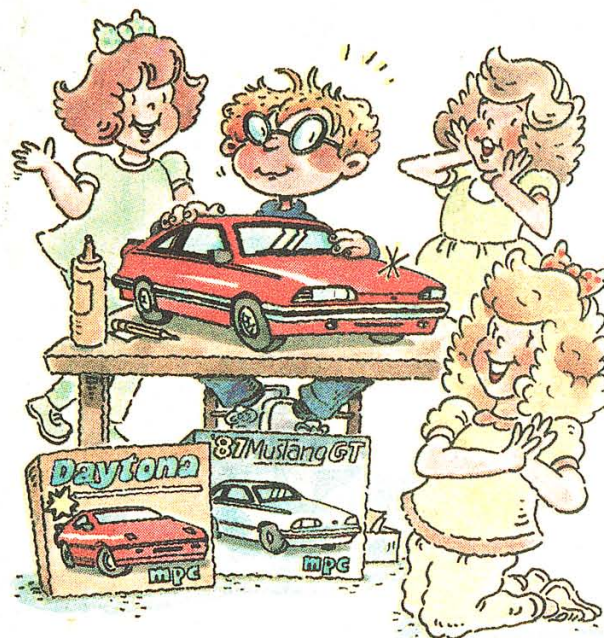
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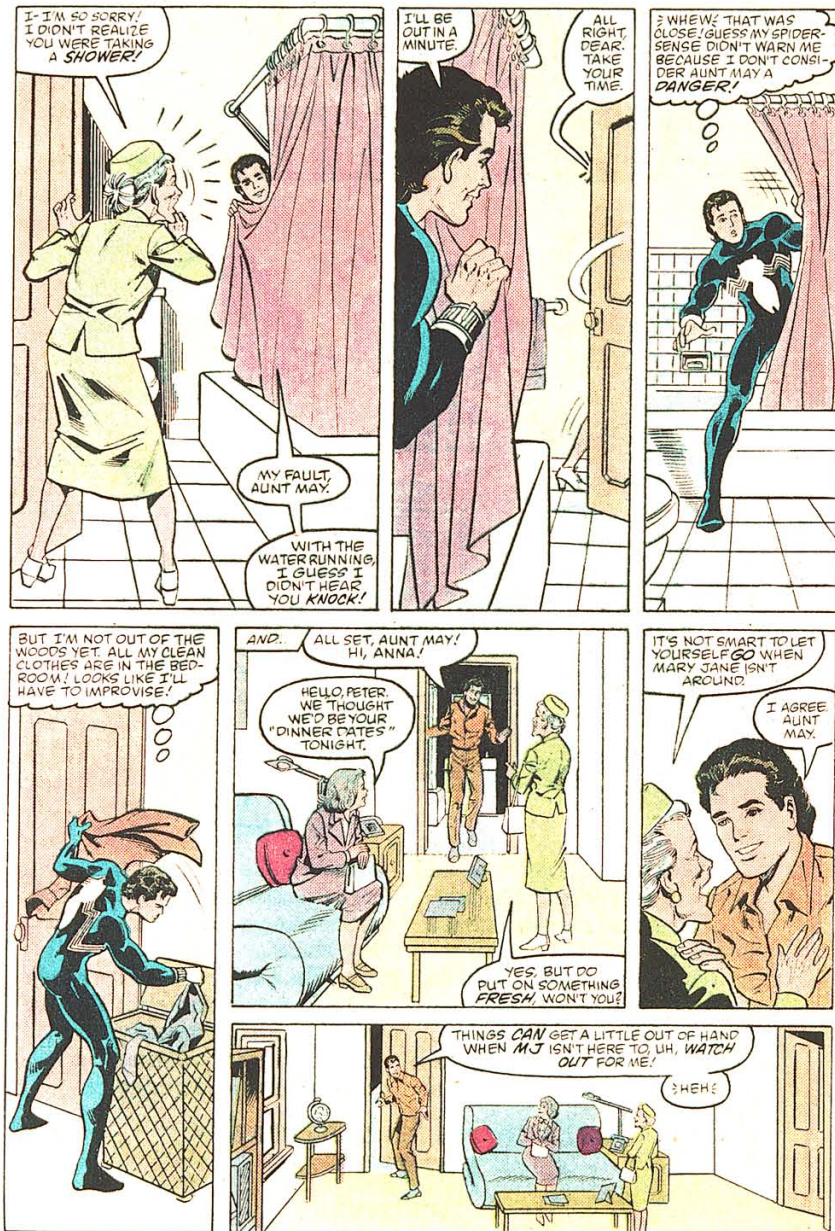
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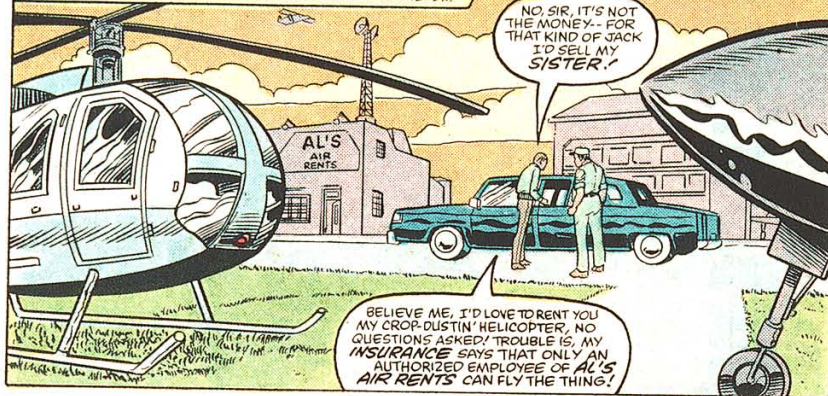
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WHILE AT THAT MOMENT, AS A LATE-AFTERNOON SUN CASTS LONG SHADOWS ACROSS A NEW JERSEY AIRFIELD...



NO, SIR, IT'S NOT THE MONEY-- FOR THAT KIND OF JACK I'D SELL MY SISTER!

BELIEVE ME, I'D LOVE TO RENT YOU MY CROP DUSTING HELICOPTER, NO QUESTIONS ASKED! TROUBLE IS, MY INSURANCE SAYS THAT ONLY AN AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEE OF AL'S AIR RENTS CAN FLY THE THING!

AN' EDDIE HERE, MY ONLY CHOPPER PILOT, IS BOOKED SOLID FOR THE NEXT MONTH!



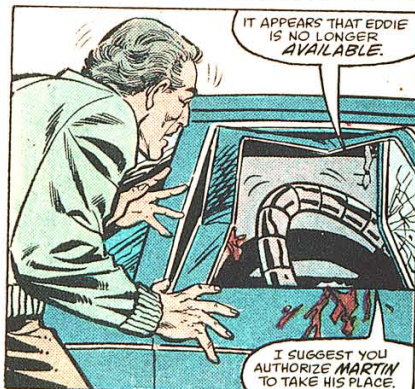
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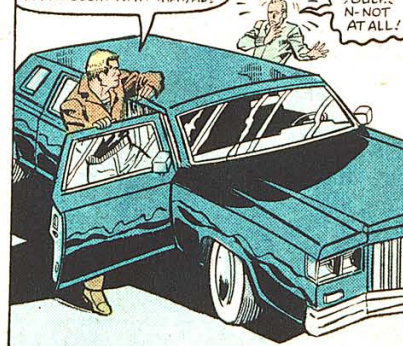
EDDIE!



IT APPEARS THAT EDDIE IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE.

I SUGGEST YOU AUTHORIZE MARTIN TO TAKE HIS PLACE.

HI, I'M MARTIN. YOU GOT A PROBLEM WITH THAT, AL?



N-N-N-O!
GULP!
N-NOT AT ALL!

NIGHT PASSES QUIETLY-- THOUGH A CERTAIN NEW JERSEY BUSINESSMAN NAMED AL GETS LITTLE SLEEP



AND THE NEXT MORNING, AT THE MIDTOWN HEADQUARTERS OF NEW YORK'S PREMIERE DAILY NEWSPAPER--

-- AS PETER PARKER LOOKS FOR PHOTO ASSIGNMENTS...

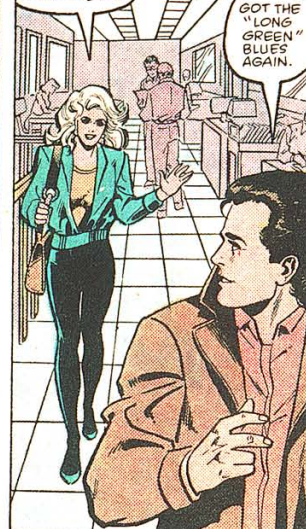
DINNER WAS GREAT, AND EVEN GREATER, ANNA AND AUNT MAY PICKED UP THE TAB! BUYING THE MATERIALS FOR MY NEW WEB-SHOOTERS DROPPED MY CHECKING ACCOUNT SO LOW--



--I'M SURPRISED THE BANK CAN STILL FIND IT!

GEE, PETER, YOU CERTAINLY LOOK CHIPPER TODAY

WHO DIED?



SORRY IF I'M NOT ALL SMILES, JOY. GOT THE "LONG GREEN" BLUES AGAIN.

REALLY? BUT YOU'VE BEEN WORKING. I SAW THE SHOTS YOU TOOK AT THE SOUTH BROOKLYN PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY, THE ONES OF SPIDER-MAN TRYING TO STOP DOCTOR OCTOPUS FROM GETTING AWAY. * THEY WERE TERRIFIC! WISH I'D BEEN THERE TO FILE THE STORY!

THANKS, BUT THAT WAS DAYS AGO, AND I'VE HAD... EXPENSES.



* SEE LAST ISSUE... J.G.

C'MON, HANDSOME, I CHECKED WITH THE BUGLE'S SOCIETY EDITOR-- YOUR BLUSHING BRIDE BRINGS HOME MORE BACON THAN OSCAR MAYER!

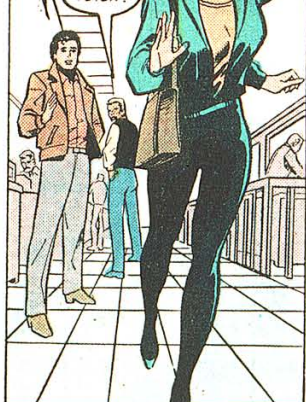
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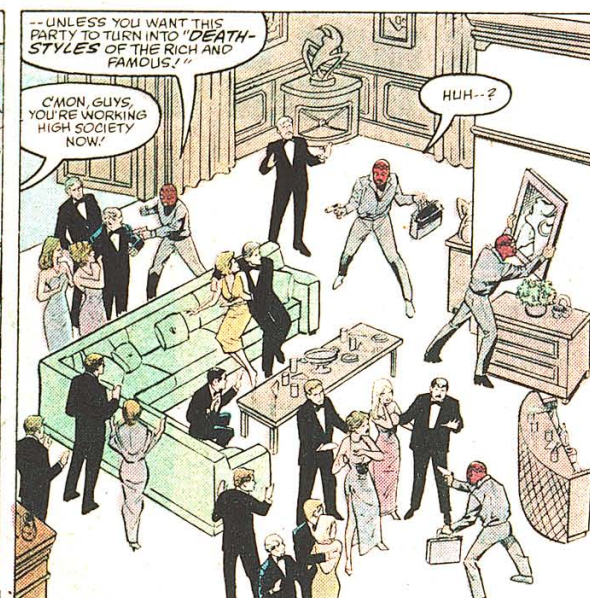
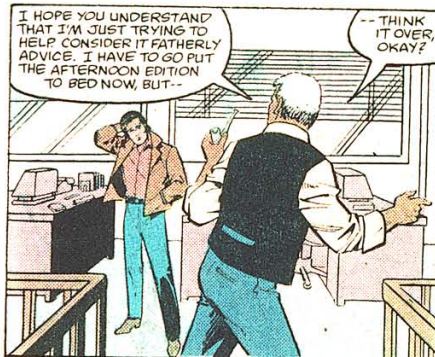


WHOOOPS! GOTTA RUN! I HEARD THAT A LABOR RIOT WAS ABOUT TO ERUPT DOWN AT CITY HALL, AND I DON'T WANT TO BE LATE!

SURE, JOY, UH, HAVE FUN!

PETER?

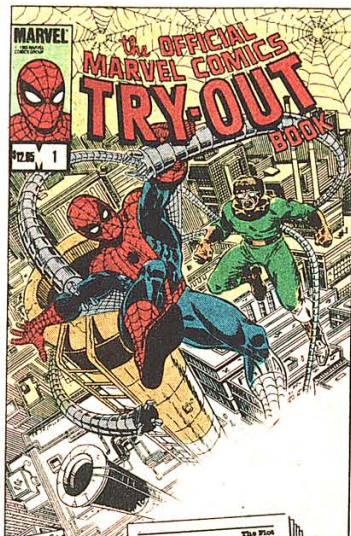




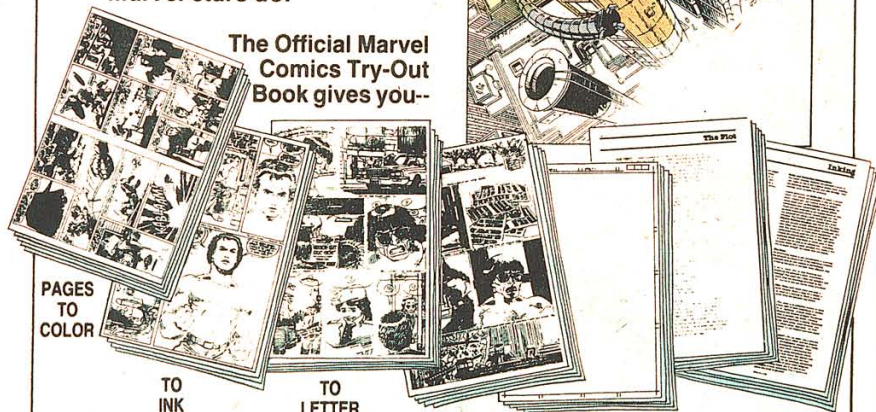
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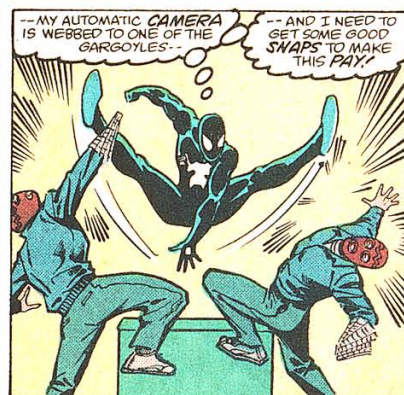
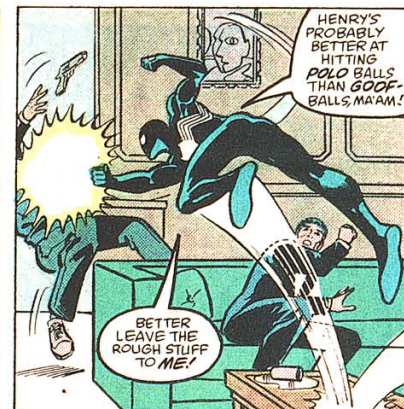
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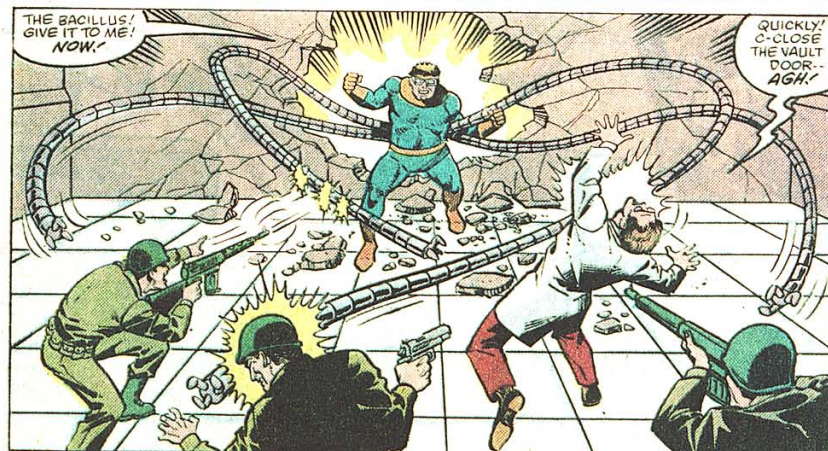
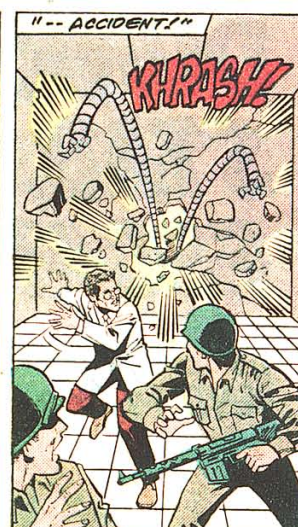
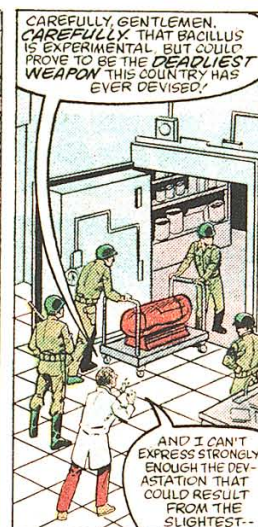
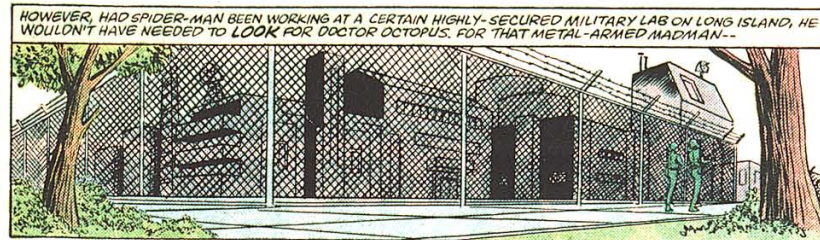
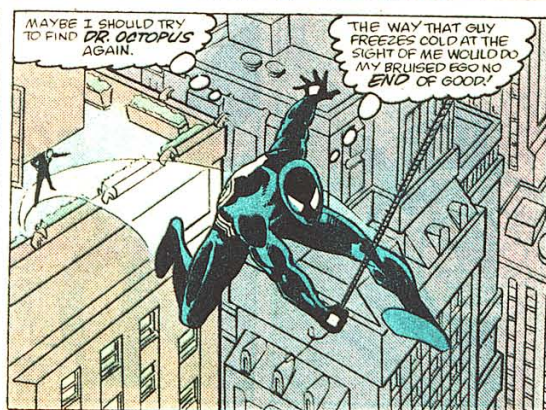
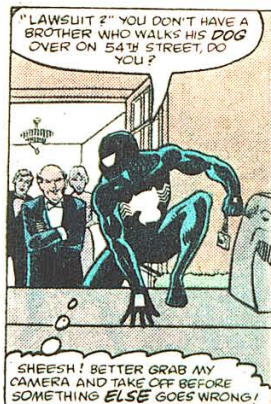
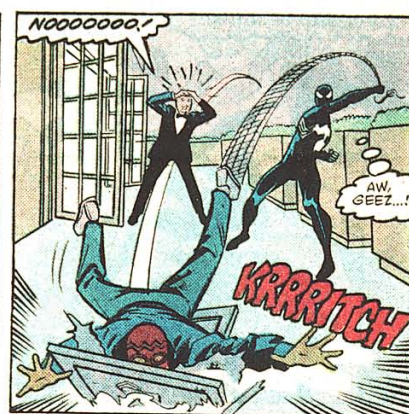
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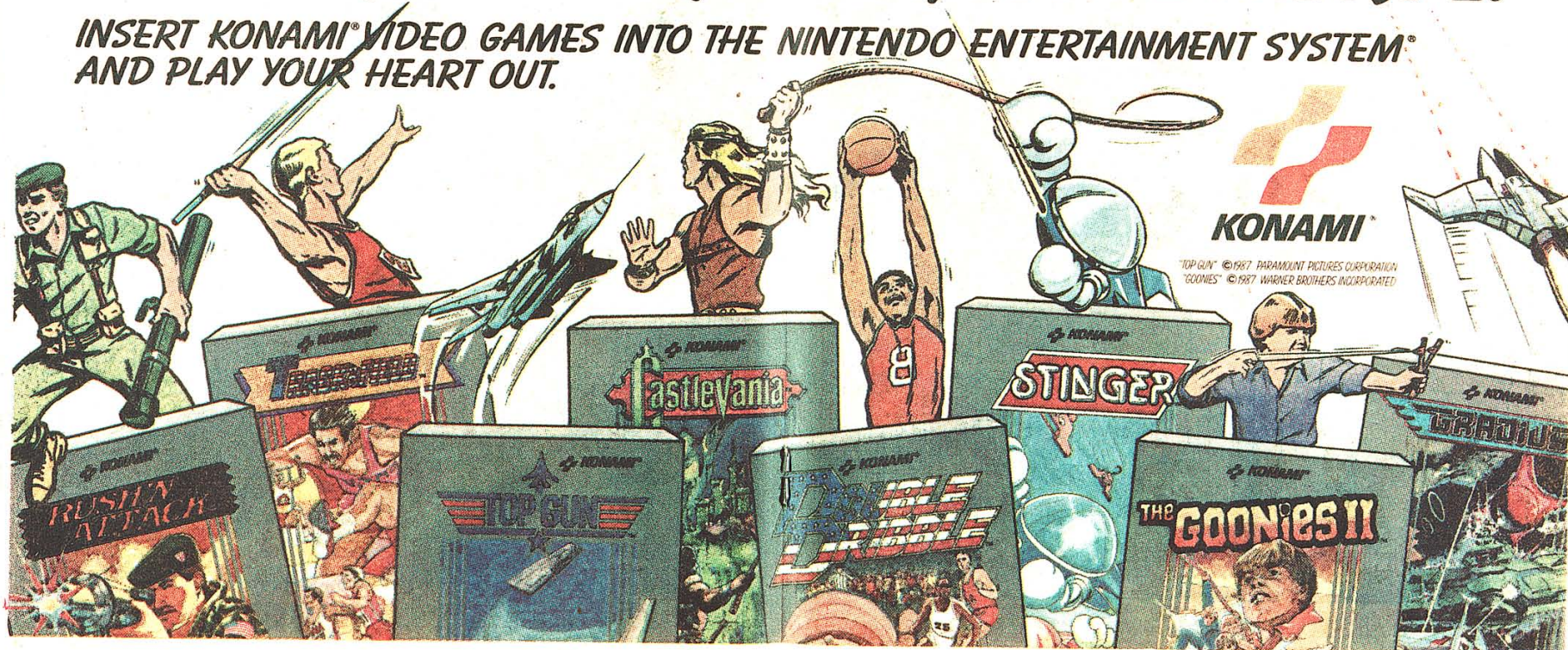
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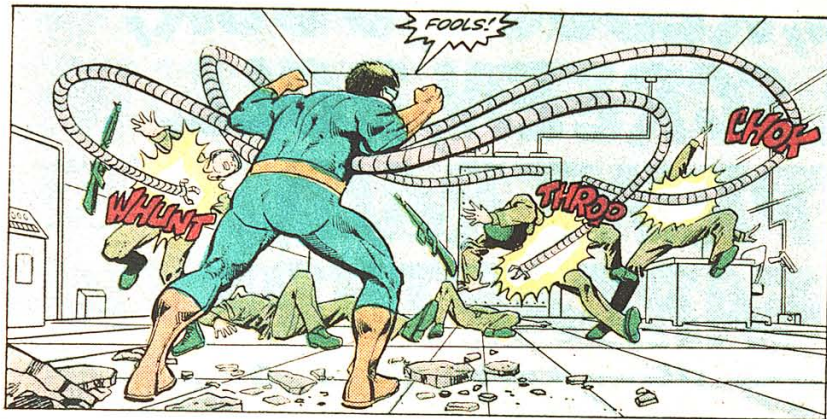




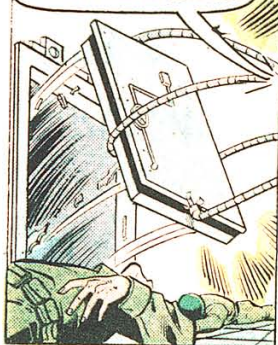
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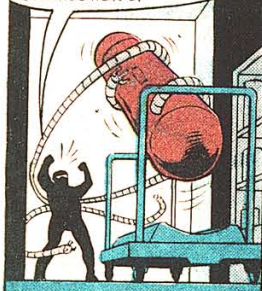




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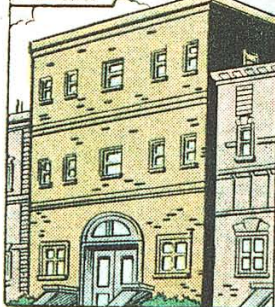


IF MY INTELLIGENCE SOURCES ARE CORRECT-- AND FOR THEIR SAKE, THEY'D BETTER BE-- THIS CANISTER SHOULD BE ALL I NEED! ALL I REQUIRE TO BRING ABOUT THE TOO-OFTEN DELAYED DESTRUCTION OF--

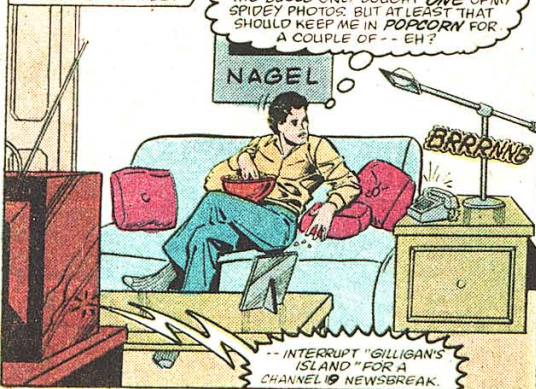


--SPIDER-MAN--

BUT IGNORANCE AS THEY SAY, IS BLISS, AND SINCE PETER PARKER KNOWS NOTHING OF THIS SINISTER THREAT, HE SPENDS THE FOLLOWING AFTERNOON AT THAT MOST COMMON OF MIDDLE-CLASS TIME-PASSERS:



WATCHING THE TUBE!



THE BUGLE ONLY BOUGHT ONE OF MY SPIDEY PHOTOS, BUT AT LEAST THAT SHOULD KEEP ME IN POPCORN FOR A COUPLE OF-- EH?

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-- INTERRUPT "GILLIGAN'S ISLAND" FOR A CHANNEL 9 NEWSBREAK.



HELLO? MARY JANE!
HEY, HOW ARE THINGS OUT IN DEEP POWDER HEAVEN?



SNOWY AND BEAUTIFUL AND TERRIBLY LONELY WITHOUT YOU.

I MISS YOU, PETER.



I MISS YOU, TOO, PRETTY LADY.

LISTEN, I ONLY HAVE A MINUTE, BUT I WANTED TO TELL YOU I'LL BE HOME THIS WEEK-END. BE WAITING FOR ME?

WITH BELLS ON!



SOUNDS KINKY-- I LOVE IT!

AND I LOVE YOU, PETER.

ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMEN IN THE WORLD LOVES ME-- AND I STILL KEEP RISKING MY NECK FOR PEOPLE I DON'T EVEN KNOW?

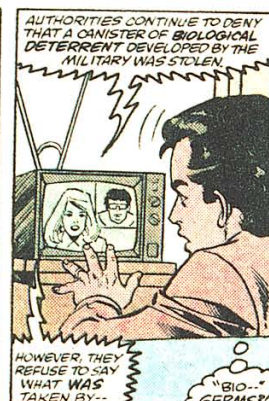
I GOTTA BE CRAZ--EH?

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UPDATE ON THAT DR. OCTOPUS STORY.

'BYE.



AUTHORITIES CONTINUE TO DENY THAT A CANISTER OF BIOLOGICAL DETERGENT DEVELOPED BY THE MILITARY WAS STOLEN.

HOWEVER, THEY REFUSE TO SAY WHAT WAS TAKEN BY--

"BIO--GERMS!"



MONEY AND JEWELS ARE ONE THING, BUT THE ONLY REASON SOMEONE STEALS BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS IS TO KILL PEOPLE! LOTS OF PEOPLE!

I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN, LIKE IT OR NOT--

-- I'VE GOT TO FIND DOCTOR OCTOPUS!





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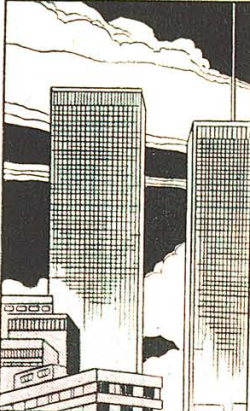
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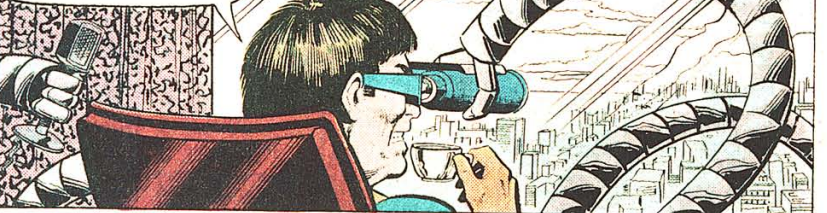
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WORRY NOT, GENTLEMEN! EVEN IF YOUR ENVIRONMENT SUITS WERE TO FAIL, THIS SUITE IS SPECIALLY SEALED. THE BACILLUS WON'T HARM US.



IT WILL MERELY KILL THE OTHER 8 MILLION PEOPLE ON THIS TACKY ISLAND!

THE CATATONIA THAT SPIDER-MAN INDUCES IN ME BY HIS MERE PRESENCE IS IMPEDING MY BRILLIANT CRIMINAL CAREER! THEREFORE I MUST SEE THAT SUCH INTERFERENCE STOPS!



AND SINCE HISTORY SHOWS THAT MANHATTAN IS SPIDER-MAN'S HOME TERRITORY, BY ENDING ALL LIFE HERE, I WILL SURELY END SPIDER-MAN!



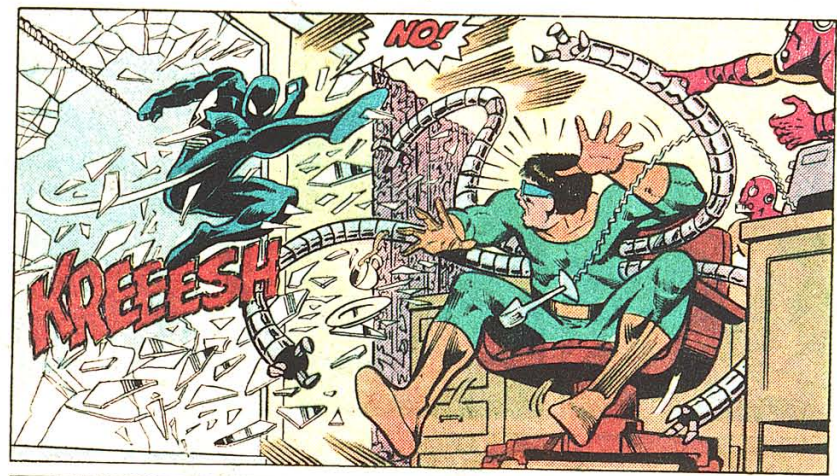
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3 GULPS

-- YOU MAY BRING THE HELICOPTER. WHEN YOU REACH THE TIP OF MANHATTAN, BEGIN SPRAYING THE BACILLUS! ACTIVATION CODE--



--ALBATROSS!



GET AN EYEFUL, DOC!

IT'S TIME TO PLAY "POPSICLE!"

NO! N-NOT YOU! I-I CAN'T BE--



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--DER--



--MAN...?



AH-AH, SLICK! YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE! I HEARD EVERYTHING WHILE I WAS WAITING OUTSIDE THAT WINDOW!

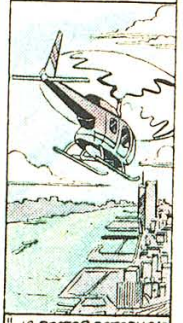


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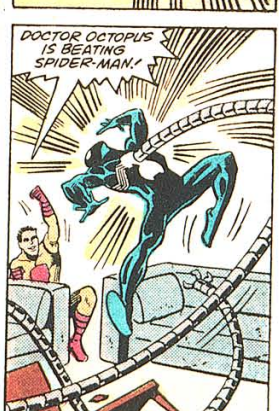
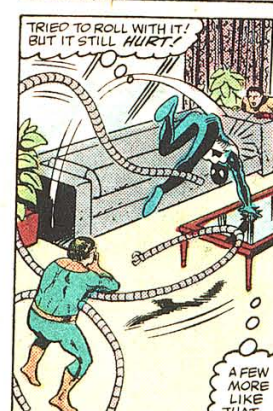
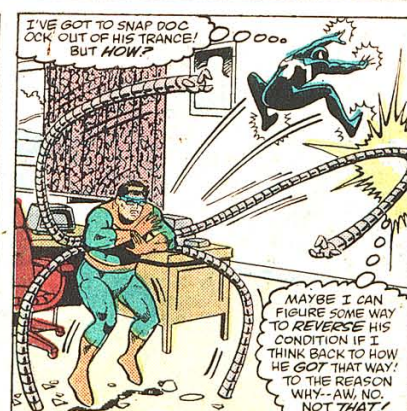
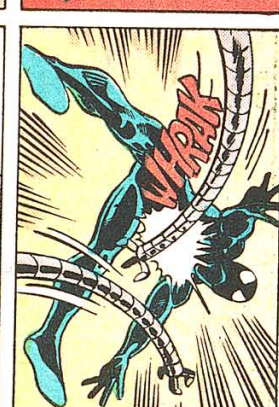
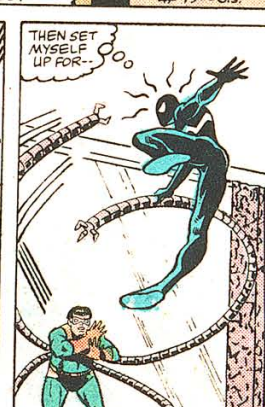
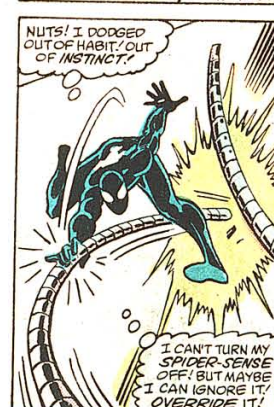
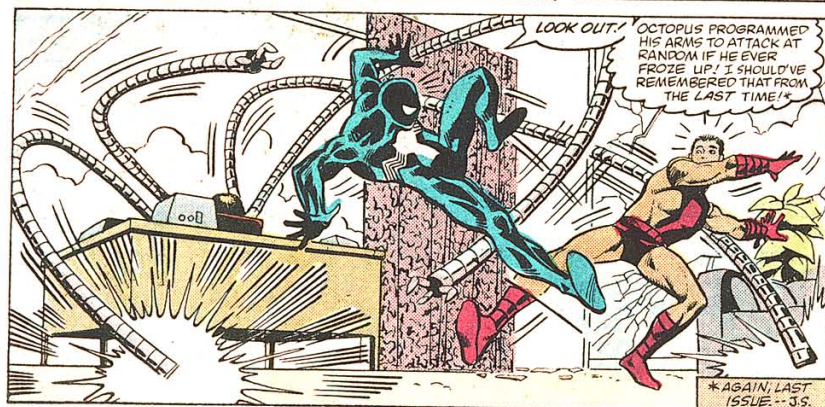
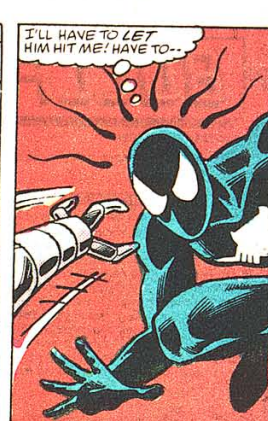
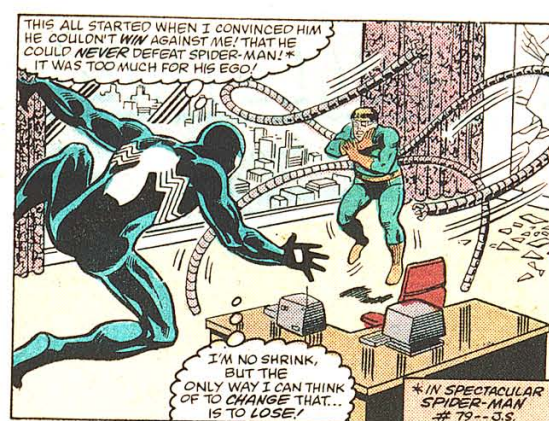
SO YOU'RE GOING TO GET ON THE RADIO AND TELL THAT PILOT TO ABORT! NOW!

I-I CAN'T!

"HE ONLY RESPONDS TO CODE PHRASES! AND THE ONLY PERSON WHO KNOWS THEM--"



--IS DOCTOR OCTOPUS!"



BULLPEN BULLETINS

QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

"Behold the savage tempest which I have summoned to blast ye back to the Stygian slime from whence ye came!"

—Thor THOR #388

ITEM: Each week we get thousands of requests for an official Marvel Fan Club. Always anxious to please our ever-faithful fans, we've finally decided to listen to the will of the people! That's right—we've already begun work on putting together a really nifty club for our frantic fans... and we'll reveal all the details on how to join in the coming months. We've only got one problem. What should we call it? Since the club was your idea in the first place, we're turning to you for help! Please send your suggestions for a name to:

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ITEM: In case you haven't already guessed, we're all real proud of writer Doug Murray. Not only has he made THE NAM one of the most interesting comics produced today, but he also won The Veterans Achievement Award for Entertainment from BRAVO, the Brotherhood Rally of American Veterans Organization. Doug's work was chosen over some pretty heavy competition... like the movie "Platoon." Way to go, Doug!

ITEM: Major congrats are also due writer-artist Jean Giraud whose Moebius Graphic Novel #1: Upon a Star was recently selected for an Award Of Excellence by the Mead Paper Company in their latest monthly competition for excellence in the

graphic arts. Only five entries which exemplify the highest standards in printing, design, illustration and typography are chosen for this top distinction per month. This graphic novel will also be eligible for Mead's Top of the Top Award competition, which will be judged in January 1988 by an independent panel of graphic experts. We all wish good ol' Jean Giraud the best of luck in the upcoming finals, and we'll let you know how he makes out!

ITEM: Bob Budiansky's Pro File is looming below so we'll have to wrap up the Itemized section of the BBP! So, until next month, read read READ! Your mind will thank you.

Pro File on: BOB BUDIANSKY

Editor on: AIR RAIDERS; VISIONARIES; WILLOW, ELVIRA, and PINOCCHIO AND THE EMPEROR OF THE NIGHT movie adaptations; MARVEL PRESS Posters; toy company storyline development; miscellaneous; etc. and so on...

Marvel freelance credits (past): Penciler/co-plotter on GHOST RIDER, SUB-MARINER Limited Series, various other stuff.

Marvel freelance credits (present): Writer, occasional cover penciler on TRANSFORMERS.

My hobbies are: Stargazing, skiing, rapping '60s pop music, snorkeling.

The single work of which I am most proud is: If I pick one, all the others would get jealous (but I kinda like the pencils on the cover of GHOST RIDER #35).

My pet peeves are: Filling out questionnaires like this.

My place of birth is: The Bronx, New York (wanna make somethin' of it?)

My greatest accomplishment outside the comics field is: Catching a sinking line drive in centerfield to save a ball game for Marvel a couple of summers ago.

My oddest habit is: Giving undue importance to trivial facts.

If they were making a movie of my life, I'd like to see my part played by: Tom Hanks.

The reason I got into comics was: I thought it would be more fun than Civil Engineering.

People who knew me in High School thought I was: Someone else.

My favorite performers are: The Talking Heads, Bruce Springsteen, Elvis Costello, Ronald Reagan.

The last good book I read was: "The Panda's Thumb" by Stephen Jay Gould

The last good movie I saw was: Robocop.

The biggest influences on my work include: Gardner Fox, Stan Lee, John Buscema, Jack Kirby, Steven Spielberg.

My greatest unfulfilled ambition in the comics field is: To write, pencil, ink and color a book of a character that I've created. I'll let the letterers keep their jobs.

The worst part of my job is: Stapling all those hundreds of thousands of comics together before we send them to the stores.

When nobody's looking I like to: Nap.

The one thing I really want the world to know about me is: I'm much better looking than the drawing of me on the right.

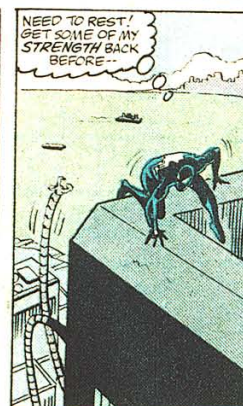
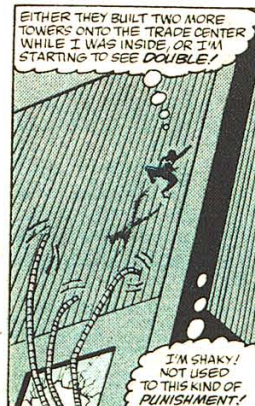
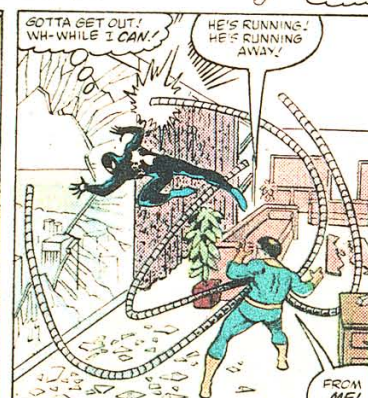
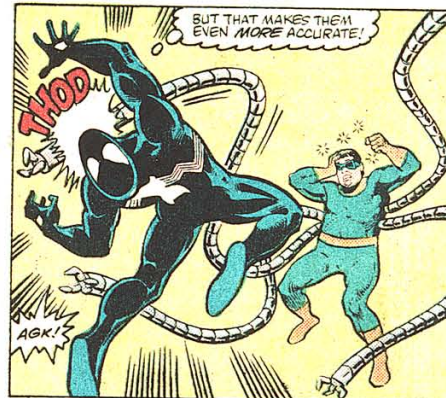


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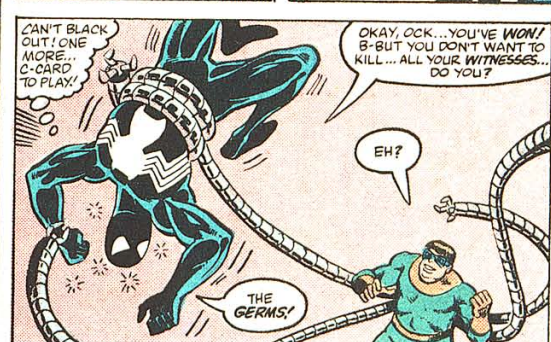
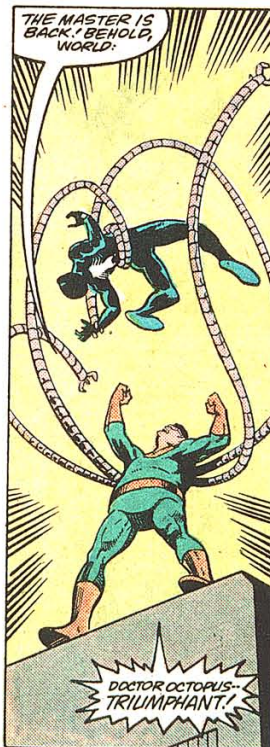
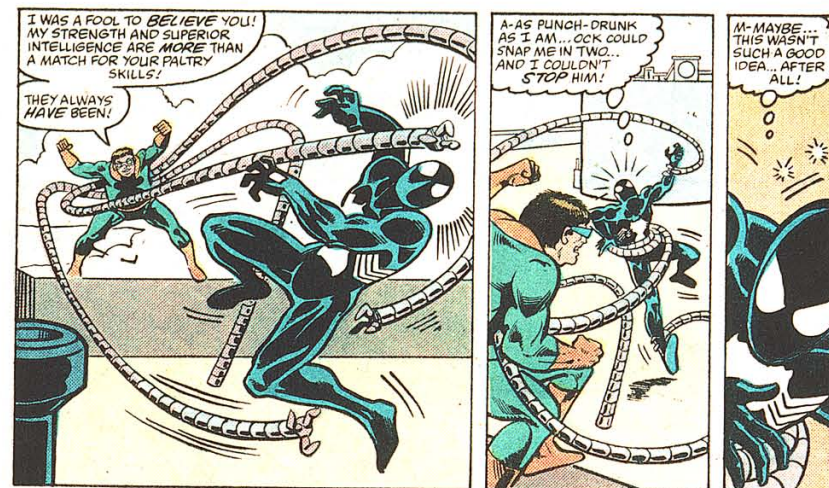
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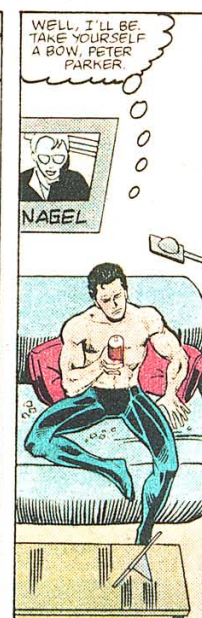
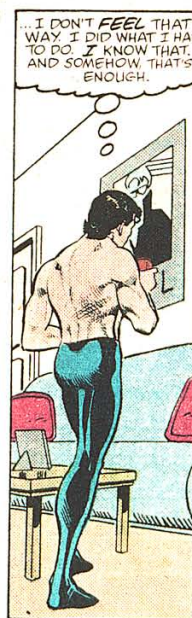
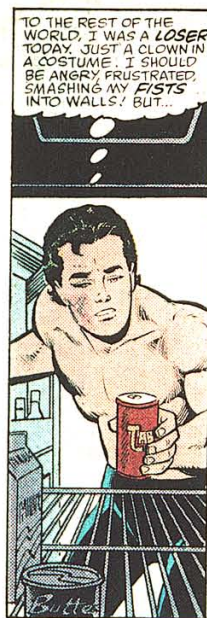
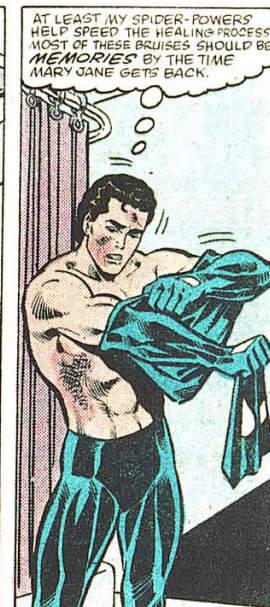
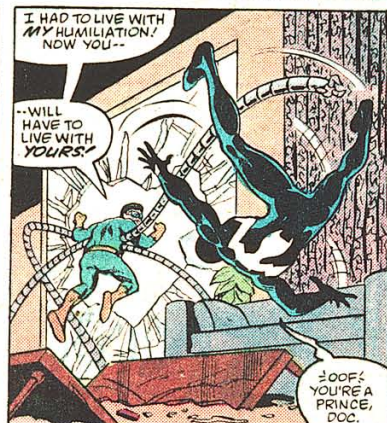
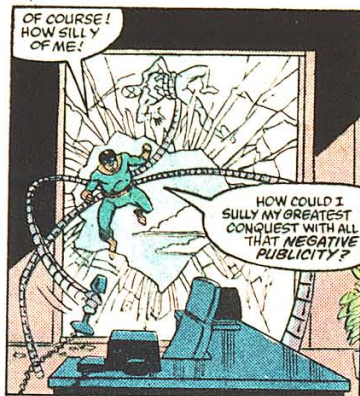
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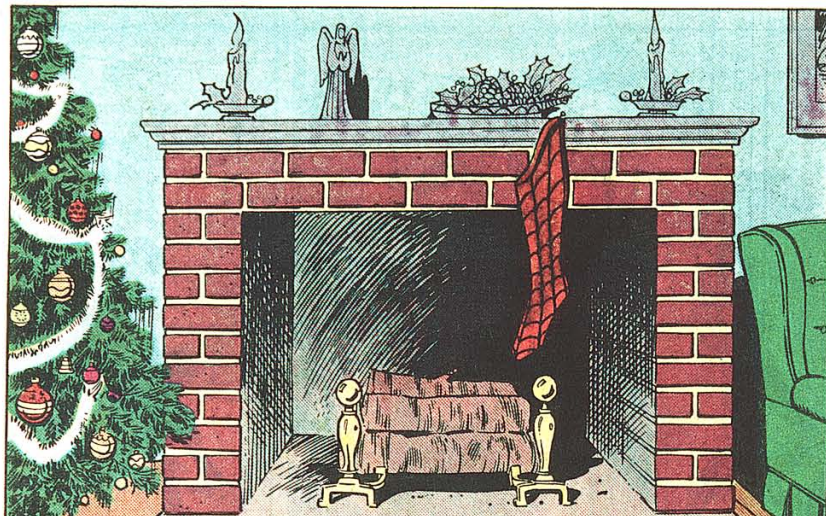
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